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Services Officer

27 July 1949

Director of Central Intelligence

Negotiation of Contracts

REFERENCE: CIA Notice No.

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1. Pending issuance of complete regulations governing procurement under recent enabling legislation, the officers authorized to enter into contracts in the name of the Agency are authorized to negotiate purchases and contracts without advertising where the aggregate amount involved does not exceed \$1,000.00 as authorized in Section 3. (a) of Public Law 110, 81st Congress. Where the amount involved exceeds \$1,000.00, prior approval of the Executive will be required.

2. In the negotiation of contracts, appropriate steps will be taken to assure that the savings resulting from this procedure will not be exceeded by increased costs arising out of a failure to advertise.

3. This authority does not change the authorities and policy on this subject which are included in the Confidential Funds Regulations.

/s/

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Rear Admiral, USN
Director of Central Intelligence

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1. The above subject memorandum precludes the use of any authority contained in Public Law 110, 81st Congress, until regulations have been promulgated and issued.

2. Interim authority is requested to negotiate purchases and contracts in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,000.00, as contemplated by Section 2(c)(3) of Public Law 413, 80th Congress. Under the present circumstances, we are limited by Public Law 600 to open market negotiations of \$100.00.

3. This authorization would facilitate and greatly expedite the handling of many open market purchases for which advertising is now required.

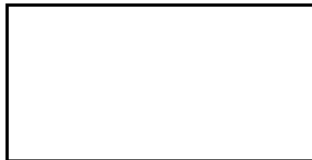
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1. Reference CIA Notice No. dated 10 June 1949,
subject: "Regulations".

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2. The above memorandum precludes the use of any authority contained in Public Law 110, 81st Congress (HR 2663) until regulations have been provided for the purpose of administrative control.

3. However, Public Law 152, 81st Congress (HR 4754) approved June 30, 1949, in Section 302 - c - (3) authorizes purchases to be made without advertising where the aggregate cost does not exceed \$500.00. Under the present circumstances following the limitation of Public Law 600, the open market limitation is \$100.00. It is recommended that the Regulations Committee consider recommending to the Director, authorizing the Services Officer to make purchases in the open market where the total cost does not exceed \$500.00 which is authorized by Public Law 152 above for all government agencies other than CIA. Such authority would facilitate and greatly expedite the handling of many open market purchases for which advertising is now required.

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